



Margo Koskelainen Victorian Umpire of the Year Criteria:

To be eligible for the award the nominee must be:

- An Australian citizen
- An umpire within the Softball Australia national accreditation program for a minimum of four years
- Registered with the Softball Victoria
- Nominated by their association or any member of the Victorian Umpiring Committee

Criteria for selection shall be based on:

- The nominee being a current umpire within the season the award is presented in
- The nominee consistently demonstrates a high level of officiating skill
- Commitment to the Victorian and/or National Umpiring Program (e.g. As an examiner, presenter, mentor, program developer, trainer or other VUC official)
- The nominee presents a positive image of umpiring and the role of the umpire
- The umpire demonstrates a firm commitment to softball and umpiring

Nominations must be on the appropriate form and include the following details:

- The umpire's involvement at the local level
- The umpire's experience at state, national and international level
- The umpire's personal umpiring highlights and achievements (this may cover a number of years, and is not restricted to the year of nomination)
- The umpire's involvement in umpire development, education and training programs

General information:

- The award is a perpetual shield and individual trophy
- Previous winners are not excluded
- Winner to be recommended by a panel of representatives from the VUC, and to be endorsed by the VUC and Softball Victoria
- Period of selection is for the season in which nominations close
- Nominations to be emailed to the Umpire Awards Manager: Angela Broadbent-angela@softballvic.org.au by April 14th



MARGO KOSKELAINEN

VICTORIAN UMPIRE OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

Nominee's name: _____ Year of nomination: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Tel: () _____ () _____ Mobile: _____
(home) (business)

Number of years the nominee has been actively involved with umpiring _____ Level of umpiring accreditation achieved/ year of achievement: _____

Section 1: Consistently demonstrates a high level of officiating skill

This section should address, as a **minimum**, the following under the heading listed:

- Appointment to World Championship/Olympic Games and any finals games allocations
- Appointment to International events, eg World Championship/Olympic qualifiers, invitational events etc and any finals games allocations
- Appointment to any International or National event in any capacity (give details) other than as an officiating umpire
- Appointment to any Australian event and any finals games allocations
- Appointment to State events and any finals games allocations

Tournament	Level	Location	Notable appointments
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Section 2: Presents a positive public image – wider community

This section should detail the nominee's age, occupation and any activity/interest in community events outside of Softball. Give as much detail as possible in order to demonstrate the nominee's standing in the community. Describe how this standing reflects on the Victorian and National Umpiring Program.

Section 5: Demonstration of prior activities and notable achievements

Use this section to outline activities and notable achievements during the 2 year period immediately prior to the nomination period and not covered in Sections 1 or 4.

Section 6: Other

This section might include preparedness to 'go the extra mile' in order to succeed or personal sacrifice with regard to time spent in development of others. Include outstanding qualities which you believe should be considered by the Review Panel.

Nominated by: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____